

Core Java: Collections & Maps

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Key learning points:

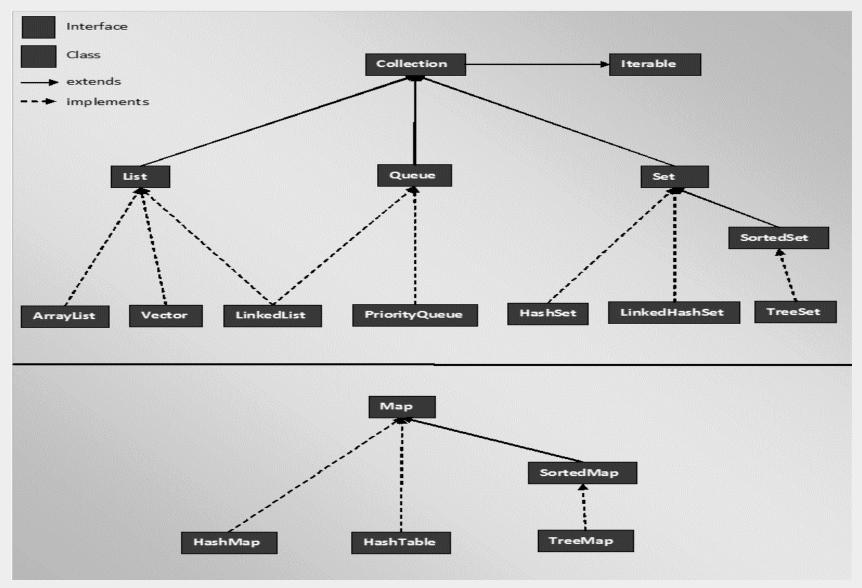
- Collection Framework
- Introduction to Core Interfaces and Classes
- Introduction to Generics, use of generics in Collection framework
- List, Set and Map implementations



Collections

• In this topic we will understand collection framework, choosing appropriate collection, Queue and Deque, NavigableSet and NavigableMap, Types of Iterators, Enumerartions, Using Equals and HashCode and comparator and compareable.

The collections framework......core interfaces

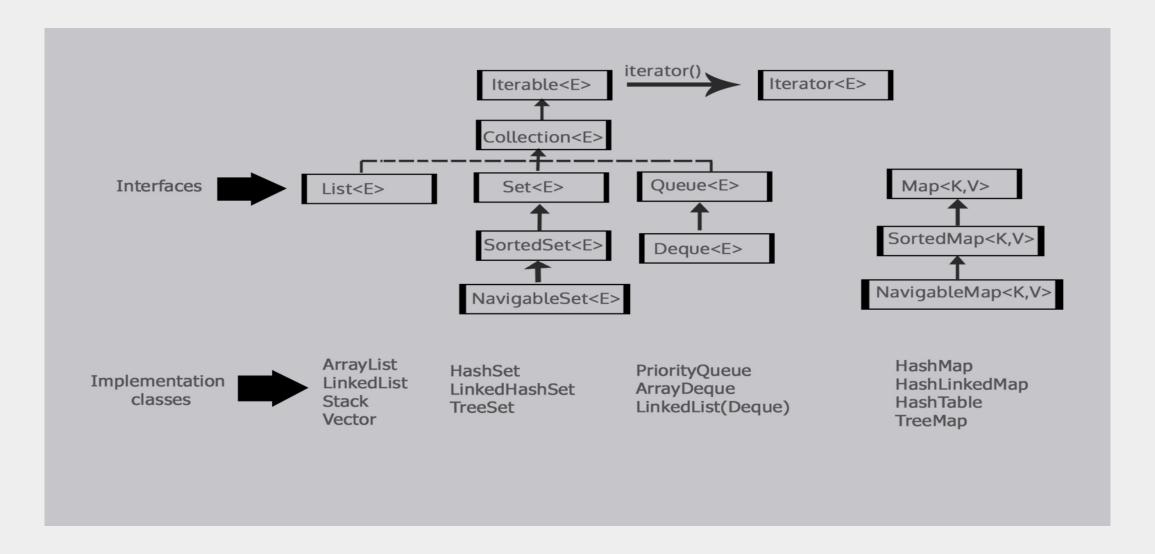




Use of Sets, Lists and Maps

- List representations are indexed implementations. They hold duplicate data members.
- Set representations are non indexed implementations. They hold unique data members
- Map representations are used for storing values with unique identification as keys. Data is stored in the form of key-value pairs

The collections framework......core interfaces





The collections framework......concrete classes

| Interface | Class | Description |
|-----------|---------------|--|
| List | ArrayList | A unsynchronized dynamic array |
| | LinkedList | A linked list. Supports methods for use as a stack, queue and deque |
| | Vector | A synchronized dynamic array |
| Set | HashSet | Unordered container backed by a hash Map. Allows null element. |
| | LinkedHashSet | Hash table and linked list implementation of the Set interface. Predictable iteration order. Allows null element |
| | TreeSet | The elements are ordered using their natural ordering. |



The collections framework......concrete classes

| Interface | Class | Description |
|-----------|---------------|---|
| Мар | HashMap | A unsynchronized key-value container which allows null key and values. |
| | Hashtable | A synchronized key-value container wherein any non-null object can be used as a key or value. |
| | LinkedHashMap | Maintains a doubly-linked list running through all of its entries. |
| | TreeMap | The map is sorted according to the natural ordering of its keys |

Difference between List and Set Implementations

List and Set both implementations hold multiple elements.

However List can hold duplicate elements and Set holds only Unique elements.

Generics

• What is generics?

```
public class Stack {
         private int size;
         private Object values[];
         public Stack(int size) {
                   values = new Object[size];
         public void push(Object value) {
         public Object pop() {
```



Design issues/mistakes

```
Stack stack = new Stack(10);
String str;
stack.push("I need a stack of strings");
stack.push("This is string");
stack.push("Same here");
stack.push("Me too");
/* downcast works */
str = (String) stack.pop();
/* whoops */
stack.push(new Integer(1000));
/* cast fails. throws ClassCastException */
str = (String) stack.pop();
```



Need for generics

- Type safety
- Improved robustness
- Improved readability



List implementations

- List holds the objects.
- Can hold duplicate data.
- Also holds multiple null values.
- Implementations are
 - ArrayList
 - LinkedList
 - Vector



ArrayList.....quick preview

```
List<Integer> intList = new ArrayList<Integer>();
// ArrayList<Integer> intList = new
ArrayList<Integer>(20);
intList.add(1);
intList.add(10);
intList.add(100);
intList.add(10000);
intList.add(3, 1000);
if(intList.contains(100))
         System.out.println("Found");
System.out.println(intList.indexOf(1000));
System.out.println(intList.size());
System.out.println(intList.remove(4));
System.out.println(intList.get(0));
```



How to store custom objects?

Collections can hold user defined objects as well.

```
public class Employee {
         private int empld;
         private String name;
         private String designation;
         public Employee(int empld, String name, String
designation) {
                  this.empld = empld;
                  this.name = name;
                  this.designation = designation;
         @Override
         public String toString() {
         return "Employee [empld=" + empld + ",
         name=" + name + ", designation="
                                     + designation + "]";
```



How to store custom objects?

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.List;
public class EmployeeList {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
  List<Employee> employees = new
  ArrayList<Employee>();
  employees.add(new Employee(1001, "John",
"Developer"));
  employees.add(new Employee(1886, "Riya",
"Developer"));
 employees.add(new Employee(6723, "Smith", "Project
Manager"));
 employees.add(new Employee(8954, "Pooja",
"Tester"));
  for (Employee employee : employees) {
                  System.out.println(employee);
         } }}
```



Set Implementations

- Set holds multiple values
- However it holds only unique values.
- Implementations are
 - HashSet
 - LinkedHashSet
 - TreeSet



HashSet.....quick preview

```
Set<String> hashSet = new HashSet<String>();
// HashSet<String> hashSet = new HashSet<String>(30);
// HashSet<String> hashSet = new HashSet<String>(20,
0.8f);
hashSet.add("This");
hashSet.add("is");
hashSet.add("a");
hashSet.add("hash");
hashSet.add("set");
System.out.println(hashSet.size());
hashSet.clear();
```



Map Implementations

- Map stores data in key-value pairs.
- Key is an unique identifier for every value.
- Keys are unique however values can be repeated.
- Both key and value are objects.
- Implementations are
 - HashMap
 - LinkedHashMap
 - TreeMap



Hashtable.....quick preview

```
Hashtable<Integer, String> hashtable =
         new Hashtable<Integer, String>();
// Hashtable<Integer, String> hashtable =
         new Hashtable<Integer, String>(20, 0.8f);
hashtable.put(11, "Persistent");
hashtable.put(22, "Infocepts");
hashtable.put(33, "Ebix");
hashtable.put(44, "Infospectrum");
System.out.println(hashtable.get(11));
System.out.println(hashtable);
System.out.println(hashtable.remove(44));
System.out.println(hashtable.containsKey(44));
hashtable.clear();
```

The collections framework.....iterators

```
ArrayList<String> sObj = new ArrayList<String>();
sObj.add("Great");
sObj.add("Cool");
sObj.add("Fine");
sObj.add("Nice");
for(String s : sObj) System.out.println(s);
Iterator<String> itr = sObj.iterator();
while(itr.hasNext()) System.out.println(itr.next());
```



Summary: Session#

With this we have come to an end of our session, where we discussed about

- Collection framework
- List Set & Map Interfaces
- Use of generics
- Iterator interface
- How to store custom objects

At the end of this session, we see that you are now able to answer following questions:

- What is collection framework?
- What are core interfaces & implementations?
- How to use collection framework in applications?



Appendix

References

Thank you

Reference Material : Websites & Blogs

- https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/collections/intro/
- http://www.tutorialspoint.com/java/java_collections.htm
- http://www.javatpoint.com/collections-in-java



Reference Material: Books

- Head First Java
 - By: Kathy Sierra, Bert Bates
 - Publisher: O'Reilly Media, Inc.
- Java Complete Reference
 - By Herbert Schildt





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